

Applicants have provisionally elected, for search purposes only, the species:

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| i) | water-insoluble matrix: | cross-linked ethylene-vinyl
acetate copolymer |
| ii) | water-soluble particle: | cyclodextrin |
| iii) | polymer having no functional groups: | crosslinked polyethylene |

With respect to the elected species, Applicants respectfully submit that, should the elected species be found allowable, the Office should expand its search to the non-elected species.

Applicants submit this application is now in condition for examination on the merits and early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

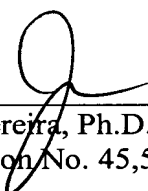
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